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Board of education cut is \$272,000

Local boards facing more cuts

by Andrew Milne

No new cuts.

Well, maybe some.

The education minister's announcement a few months ago that there would be no further cuts to the education budget doesn't seem to have meant much when it came down to cuts locally.

All three boards in the planned amalgamated unit for this area — Muskoka, Victoria, and Haliburton — are facing additional cuts to their provincial transfer grants.

Muskoka and Haliburton — both boards which, due to the peculiarities of the current tax system have relatively low grant rates as compared with local levies — were capped at their respective 15 per cent maxima. Haliburton's grants dropped \$272,000, while Muskoka's fell \$728,000.

Victoria's drop is smaller in terms of percentage of grant, at around 9.5 per cent — but far larger in total dollars — at \$2.6 million.

Victoria, Muskoka, and Haliburton vary widely in size and financial position (see sidebar on page 2 for summary). Due to the varying financial positions, the cuts seem to mean very different things to different boards. The Muskoka board already passed its budget, shortly after receiving the official word on the grant numbers, and was actually able to deliver a 3.3 per cent local mill rate reduction, without, says chair Karen Ellis, significantly affecting services. Ellis credited the fact that the board had made quite substantial cuts to transportation and staffing last year, as a significant factor in the relative calm that prevails around this year's board table.

In Victoria and in Haliburton, however, the cuts may mean very different things.

Haliburton trustees and administration haven't discussed it in detail yet, but seem to feel they're between a rock and a hard place as far as satisfying the province's requirements is concerned. The province has instructed the board not to raise taxes, and has stated the cuts should not affect the classroom, but, Haliburton's chair and director told *The Times* last week, it looks extremely unlikely to them that this is going to be possible.

Victoria's chair and director seemed that much more sure that in their board, the province's demands simply no longer answer to reality. Following last year's smaller cut, the Victoria board cut 100 staff from the payroll, and made program and transportation cuts. This year, they say, they're running out of places to turn.

They may well wind up increasing the local rates, say both chair Sharon Summers and director Dianne Dalton. But Summers very much wants to make one thing clear about her opinion about that decision.

Said Summers, "The part that needs to be understood is that it is not the Victoria County Board of Education that is raising the property tax. It's the province of Ontario that's raising the property tax. Because when they gave us this grant cut, they knew darned well this would mean a difference in property taxes — 3.3 per cent approximately. We're doing their dirty work, and we've been doing it a long time too."

Haliburton chair Cheryl Murdoch seemed to echo Summers' comments —

and the general feeling around board tables that trustees are being made the scapegoats for the pain inflicted by provincial cuts.

Says Murdoch, "Somehow no matter how much is in the paper, on the radio or TV or anything, we're the middle group, and we always get caught and blamed. The public has to realize that we didn't do this. The public has to understand that we're being put in this position, and we're going to have to creatively come up with \$270,000. And that's not an easy task."

Hurting the classroom

That the province can say there would be no reduction in funding, and then come in with cuts to the three local

boards, say board sources, doesn't entirely surprise them.

Says Victoria's Dalton, "We said almost immediately when the minister stood up and made those comments, how can you? First of all we know that they guaranteed that they were going to give a subsidy to those boards that were hit by fifteen per cent or more. That subsidy last year came from outside the education pot. This year it was extracted from the education pot before the grants came out. We know that they also expanded the group of boards that were eligible, and that therefore took more money off. We knew there'd be growth in the province. We knew transportation grants would be down. So we

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The Guild of Fine Arts' 1997 members show awarded its prizes this weekend to: Walter Verhoeven (knitting and crochet award of merit for his crochet cotton sweater), Shelley Beach (watercolour award of merit for "Red Sky in the Morning"), Grahame Wales (pottery award of merit for his birdfeeder), Wendy Bateman (textile award of merit for "Overshot Summer Jacket"), Kai-Liis McInnes (painting award of merit for "Monday, Monday, Monday"), Chris Stender (excellence in textiles guild scholarship for "Shades of a Desert"), Bob Robbins (excellence in three dimensional work guild scholarship for "Nesting Shaker

Boxes"), Ruth Orr (excellence in framed work guild scholarship for "Reflections in Green"), Barbara Joy Peel (award of overall excellence scholarship and Pat Irwin memorial award of excellence in pottery for "Smoked Fired Vase"), Lynn Roberge Brohm (Ethel Curry Award in memory of Pat Irwin for "La Loba (Wolf Woman)"), and Jean Bolt (best new artist for her beaded scarf). Pictured are Verhoeven, Stender, Wales, John Peel accepting for Barbara Joy, Roberge Brohm, Bolt, and Jeanne Anthon, who presented the awards on behalf of the guild.

Another doctor signs for the summer

Minden has another new doctor, at least for the summer.

The Lions' medical clinic signed on Doctor James Orbinski as a locum to work starting this week. Orbinski will continue until the end of August.

Orbinski is a widely travelled physician with extensive experience in war zones, including Zaire, Rwanda, Afghanistan, and Somalia — all in the last four years — and helped deal with

a cholera outbreak in Peru in 1992. He was chief of mission during his last three stints overseas, and is a founding member of Medecins Sans Frontieres (Doctors Without Borders) Canada. He has also run a private practice in Orangeville.

Orbinski will be taking patients at the Lions' clinic starting this Wednesday, and is seeking hospital privileges towards assisting in Minden's emer-

gency ward.

Lions president Daryl Moore said the service club is very happy to have Orbinski's assistance for the summer, and expects he will be an ideal complement to the clinic's other full-time physician, Dr. Judith Smith. Summer is generally a busy time for the area's clinics and hospitals, due to the influx of tourists and seasonal residents.

Haliburton, Victoria chairs say cuts will hit classrooms

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issued a statement to our staff and our parent groups immediately following the minister's statement just saying, based on these things we already know, we must be very cautious, because we believe there will be further reductions."

All the same, says Dalton, the cuts were significantly deeper than they'd guessed — \$2.6 million versus their rough guess of \$2 million. For a board that felt as of last year they were already cutting well past the fat into the bone, she says, it's just too much. They don't know where else to turn, and the Ministry of Education's pronouncements on the subject are beginning to sound as if they're coming from another planet entirely.

So the minister says the cuts won't hurt the classroom? The classrooms are already hurting, she says. Last year's reduction of over a million, in a board traditionally quite dependant on the grants, left them no choice. They've cut programs.

Says Dalton, "All of us have made strong guarantees that we'll preserve the quality of what we offer. And that is absolutely true. We have. At the same time we're not offering the same things. So we are a board that had a longstanding tradition of junior kindergarten, a longstanding commitment to it, because many of our children live in isolated areas without an opportunity to interact with others — our parents valued it. We lost that last year. We can talk about the quality of what we have left, but the fact that we don't have it means it did impact on the classroom."

"The board is really quite shaken... Last year we cut from our staff over 100 positions. Having done that, we still had to go to the taxpayer for a 2.5 mill rate increase. So in spite of the fact that last year we lost programs and we lost well over 100 staff, and we realized

significant savings from those reductions — now on a full year basis rather than a four month basis — we are still down. So they're really struggling right now with how they are going to deal with this. They cut back on library time in the schools — resource time in the schools, administration time in the schools, positions in the education centre, secretarial time, and they're basically just saying look, year after year we have been cut dramatically in the amount of funding we receive from the province, and we're sitting in the situation where our programs are in jeopardy because we have nowhere else to go."

Murdoch, in Haliburton, is seeing roughly the same thing. The board hasn't discussed what it's going to do yet, but she doesn't see where else but program cuts the money can be found — it's that, she says, or mill rate increases — maybe even both, and that's just the way the numbers are, no matter what the Minister says.

Says Murdoch, "Every year we talk about trying to get this money without hurting kids, and we're at the stage now where we're going to be hurting kids. I'm sorry, but we're looking at program cutting, things that are going to hurt kids. We're at the stage that we can't get around it. We've cut maintenance. We've cut supplies. We've done all these other things. Either you put it on the back of the taxpayer or you look at cutting things that are going to hurt kids. When you're out of money, you're out of money."

Said Haliburton director Brad Saunders, sounding almost exasperated, "This has been going on now for the last five years, and while there may well have been some not too painful cuts that we were able to achieve in the first couple years... particularly last year it became really, really painful. And now we're into another situation where we're looking at another 15 per cent."

Unlike Victoria, where trustees and officials profess to be more surprised than angry, it would appear that in

Haliburton they are both.

Said Murdoch, "As you probably remember, the minister came out and said there would be no further reductions. For whatever reason, when it comes back to boards, no, this isn't correct at all. Victoria is down. Muskoka, they're down. Wherever that money's gone, we didn't get what we were supposed to. So it means we're going to be looking at \$272,000 worth of cuts, and we're going to have to find the money some place. Basically, we were assuming we had that — we thought we had that."

Resentful boards, tense schools

All of this, as could well be imagined, does seem to be working its way into the texture of day to day life on boards and in schools, however much they try to get on with their business, say officials. Muskoka's Summers says that she understands making the cuts would be difficult almost any way it were done, and that she and her colleagues would nonetheless like to cooperate with the province, and find a way to make things work. What galls them as much as the otherworldly demands from the province's money people, she says, however, is the political strategy they feel the province is using — in which the boards are somehow made out to be the villains in the piece.

Says Summers, "They're strategically placing themselves well to make themselves out to be the good guy in this, making us out to be the bad guy. I would say the board is angry about that sort of thing... I would suggest to you the mood in the schools is not a happy one ei-

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Board grants/expenditures

Haliburton, Victoria and Muskoka's positions with respect to finances and grant dependence vary widely.

■ Victoria is the most grant dependant of the three boards — and thus perhaps more typical of truly rural boards across Ontario than are cottage and shoreline-rich Muskoka and Haliburton in terms of grant versus local allotment ratios. Last year, even following a more than \$1 million cut to its grants, Victoria received around \$27.7 million in grants, and spent around \$74 million in total, meaning provincial monies made up about a third of their expenditures. Victoria director Dianne Dalton says that, despite transportation expenses that normally push rural boards' expenses higher, Victoria now spends below the provincial median on a per student basis, following cutting over 100 staff from their payroll last year. The student population is around 11,500, making last year's per student rate around \$6,430.

■ Muskoka and Haliburton are both cottage-country boards, rich in shoreline allotment — a factor which means they are assessed as having a richer population, and a theoretically higher ability to pay locally, but the two boards are different in

size, and Muskoka's economy, which does include some modest industrial development, generally seems to be healthier than that of the Haliburton area. Shoreline assessment systems have long been a sticking point in cottage country, since they place a tax burden on seasonal property owners, some of whom are retirees on fixed incomes, and many of whom also pay property taxes in other jurisdictions as well (as a brief digression, the province's proposition to take over funding of education might, depending on implementation, greatly ease this difficulty).

■ Muskoka's newest budget, benefitting from deep cuts made last year, calls for expenditures of \$55.3 million, \$4.1 million of which comes from the province, following provincial cuts of \$730 thousand. The board has around 8,500 students — for a per student expenditure this year of \$6,500.

■ Haliburton's grants this year are down \$270 thousand to \$1.5 million. The board's budget last year was \$17.2 million. There are around 2,500 students in the board, making last year's per student cost \$6,880.

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Stolen snowmobiles tracked 57 kilometres

by Jerry Grozelle

Every once in a while the bad guys don't get away with their loot. That was the case recently, when two snowmobiles, which were stolen from the Rockcliffe Trailer Park at Head Lake, west of Norland, were returned to their rightful owners.

Park owner Elwood Baldwin was notified at about 7:20 a.m. on March 18 that the lock on the front gate to the park had been cut. He and a friend, George MacNair, discovered two sets of snowmobile tracks coming out of the park. Further investigation revealed that the machines had been taken from enclosures at two trailer sites.

"We went over to the east side of the park and saw where they (the thieves) had looked at all the machines that were under tarps," Baldwin said. "But they weren't good enough, I guess."

The two machines that were stolen were enclosed in snowmobile trailers, which were locked.

"The one guy had four locks on his trailer," Baldwin said. "The other guy had two locks on his, but they cut them, because they must have figured there must be something good in there."

"They were very choosy," MacNair added.

The thieves made off with a Polaris Indy Trail and a 670 Ski-Doo Grand Touring belonging to Norm Joyce and Lloyd Richardson, both of Sutton.

Baldwin said there were four sets of footprints going in to the park.

"They had all the burglar tools with them," he said.

"They had a good set of bolt cutters and a timing light.

"When you don't have the key, you have to take the back off the ignition switch and fool around with the wires to get everything working," Baldwin explained. "The timing light told them when they had spark going to the plugs."

The timing light and some other equipment was still in the saddle bag of one of the machines when they were found.

MacNair and Baldwin started tracking the stolen sleds by about 8 a.m., but MacNair's machine broke down a couple of hours later, so they had to temporarily abandon the search until they could get another snowmobile.

"It was 12:30 when we got started tracking them again," Baldwin said.

Meanwhile, the Coboconk OPP became involved and Baldwin rode with officer Pete de Vos while MacNair tracked the stolen machines on another snowmobile.

"He (MacNair) was the blood hound," Baldwin said.

MacNair stayed on the trail through Kirkfield and Bolsover, to just north of Gamebridge, on Highway 12. That's where they had to give up the tracking at about 4:30 in the afternoon. In total, MacNair had tracked the stolen snowmobiles for 57 kilometres.

The owners of the stolen sleds lucked out when Lorne Mortson took some time the following day to check a building on some property he owns in the area. Mortson's dog got loose and when he went to find the dog, he came across snowmobile tracks in an area where snowmobilers shouldn't have gone. He followed the tracks to a stand of cedars, where he found the two machines abandoned. The location where the sleds were left was about half way between Highway 12 and Victoria County Road 47, not more than five kilometres from where MacNair had been forced to give up the search.

Mortson alerted the Orillia OPP detachment, giving them the serial numbers of the snowmobiles. Orillia, in turn, contacted the Coboconk detachment. Baldwin was notified that the machines had been found.

MacNair speculates that the thieves were going to break the machines down and sell the parts since they didn't make any effort to keep from damaging them.

"I guess they were running without lights," Baldwin said. "The front bumper of the Polaris was damaged where it had run into the back of the Grand Touring and smashed the tail light out."

The drive belt of the Ski-Doo had broken near

where the machines were abandoned and there was evidence that the culprits had attempted to put a new belt on.

Baldwin says he thinks the thieves knew that they were being followed.

"They did a lot of dippy-doodling along the road," MacNair said. "They'd run in one ditch and then cross over to the other side."

MacNair said the thieves were well prepared.

"They must have had a back-up system, because you just wouldn't walk in and grab a machine and figure on riding to Lake Simcoe without having gas," he said.

Even if both of the stolen snowmobiles had been full of fuel (which they weren't), they had more gas in them than they should have after travelling from the Rockcliffe Trailer Park almost to Lake Simcoe.

Even though their attempts to recover the stolen machines had fallen short, both MacNair and Baldwin are pleased that the thieves didn't get away with their crime. They ended up losing on that attempt since they left some of their tools of the trade in the saddle bag of one of the machines.

The incident is still under investigation by the OPP.



A FOR EFFORT: Elwood Baldwin (front) and George MacNair, seen here on machines identical to the ones which were stolen and subsequently recovered, tracked the stolen sleds to within five kilometres of where they were found abandoned. MacNair had tracked the machines 57 kilometres before being forced to give up the search.



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Muskoka ratepayers want to keep surplus

Continued suspension of regular business, due to parliament-level delays in passing bill 104 — the school board restructuring act — is snarling up local boards in a growing number of ways.

Among other complications, the planned school board amalgamation has ratepayers and boards getting edgy over surplus and debt issues — but these cannot be resolved until the bill passes.

In Muskoka, the board has put away an approximately \$3 million surplus for capital projects, and there are those none

too happy with the idea that money might go elsewhere.

Said chair Karen Ellis last week, "The people in our area would like to see it spent in our area, which is understandable. It was raised in this area... Unfortunately, the local board here has no say in how it's spent. I'm sure we'll make a strong suggestion, but the EIC (a provincially appointed restructuring commission) has the final say."

That commission, of course — there is to be one per amalgamated board —

has yet to be appointed, and can't be until bill 104 goes through third reading. And the bill can't get to third reading until the bill 103 filibuster is resolved — something the speaker of the house has guessed might take months.

In Haliburton, the planned capital projects continue to gather dust. The education minister has reversed an earlier provincial ban on all capital projects, but the simultaneous declaration that boards could no longer borrow money without EIC approval effectively freezes

the Haliburton projects, both of which were to be financed through the sale of debentures.

Said Haliburton director Brad Saunders, "The minister has said he wants the building projects to go forward, and he sees no reason why boards can't start to build. But the minister has still been unable to give us any kind of clarity as to what happens to the amount that has to be debentured... How can boards go forward with a construction project until we get the answers?"

New rules may drive up hospital costs

by Andrew Milne

Changes to regulations governing long term care facilities are giving the local health board yet another headache enroute to the construction of the county's new hospitals.

The new regulations change long term care homes' space requirements — requiring more space in tenants' rooms and in some common areas of the home.

The difficulty for the board is that the new requirements came into force in January of 1997 — after the financial targets for the local building

projects had been set. So the current price of the project — which might be boosted by the changes by around \$1.5 million to the \$12 million range according to one very rough estimate — does not cover the additional costs — no small matter for a new board in a tight financial situation.

Though the increased space requirements as yet officially have only the status of a recommendation, they may soon be made legally mandatory. In the interim, the Ministry is requiring all projects to meet the new requirements before approving

any projects — which means the local projects are being asked to conform.

Extencicare representative Jack Penaligon explained to the board that the changes are being made in part because of research that suggests the population of such facilities is on average becoming older and less mobile.

Asked by the board whether he feels the new regulations are reasonable, Penaligon said that though some change was generally believed to be necessary, there are some in the field who feel the new regulations go a little

far.

Said Penaligon, "The approach was to get really everyone involved together to draw up what they wanted to see, and then they put all of that together... The old standards weren't adequate, and there's no question something had to be done, but it does look like maybe the pendulum has swung over a little far."

Ted Brandon from MPP Chris Hodgson's office, present for the meeting, confirmed that the MPP had previously suggested there might be funding available from the province to make up some

of the difference due to the change in standards — an issue the board says it intends to pursue.

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Fact-finder sides with high school teachers

A fact finder appointed to review the wage dispute between secondary school teachers and the board of education has recommended that, for the immediate future, the status quo be maintained, and that secondary school teachers' pay not be cut as requested by the board last year.

The dispute arose last spring, when the board sought 2.2 per cent wage reductions from all employee groups to help cope with deep cuts to provincial transfer grants. Though the elementary teachers agreed to the reduction as a temporary measure, and support workers were cut to make up that group's share, the board and the secondary teachers were unable to reach such an agreement.

Boards feel caught in middle

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ther. If the government would just say that there are wonderful things happening in the schools — and there certainly are — but we have to find a better way to fund it or something like that — boards and teachers and everyone else out there are prepared to work with them... But it's not going to work effectively the way they're doing it. They're just trying to make everybody but themselves look like the bad guy, and that just isn't the case."

Murdoch says Haliburton trustees seem to be taking the political tension reasonably well, but the interminable waiting for the resolution of questions only the, as yet-unformed, restructuring commissions can answer is starting to wear. Says Murdoch, "Every day, we get hit over the head with something else, but I think that for all intents and purposes the trustees are still trying to be positive, and are remaining positive, and are still working very hard to make all of this work... But we're a decision making body, and right now we're at a dead halt because we're not calling the shots any more. And that's the biggest problem. We have meetings and we try to carry on the business, but we get so far and we have to wait for someone else's direction, and that's the most frustrating thing. No one minds doing the leg work, but we're used to getting on with business."

One significant difference, as fact finder Calum MacLeod described, is that the high school teachers were facing rising enrolments — meaning layoffs are unlikely. MacLeod also described the teachers as feeling they have already given to this cause, in the wake of the social contract wage freezes, increased student-teacher ratios and class sizes, and increased workload due to changes to board

policy for calling in supply teachers.

MacLeod also noted that the single high school reduces staffing options, making cutting teachers impractical, and commended both parties for the mutual respect they have shown each other thus far.

Neither teachers nor board officials would comment as of last week, as negotiations continue.

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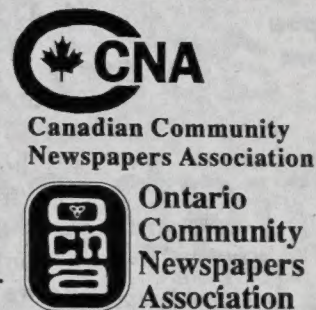
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Editorial Luke-warm on casinos

Perhaps it is the result of being brought up in 'Presbyterian' Ontario, but we are having a lot of trouble warming up to this casino idea. It doesn't seem that long ago that it was considered extremely daring for someone to purchase an Irish Sweepstakes ticket. The ticket, which looked more like a miniature stock certificate, was usually obtained from a friend of a friend of a friend. We recall it was headline news when a Canadian resident was a winner. Likewise junkets to Las Vegas were only for the truly decadent or extremely rich. The only legitimate form of gambling in Ontario occurred at the race tracks.

Those days are long gone. Government involvement has legitimized gambling in any number of forms. The Ontario Lottery Corporation promotes hundreds of different kinds of opportunities to strike it rich. There are break-open tickets, scratch and wins, quick picks, daily games, weekly lotteries and much, much more. The proliferation of opportunities to lose money by government-operated and approved gambling would boggle the

mind of the surreptitious sweepstake ticket buyer.

The latest entries in this pocket vacuum system is the large casinos, there are three currently in operation in Ontario, and the soon to be allocated mini-casinos which will be sprinkled like confetti across the province so that virtually all citizens need not be more than an hour's drive away from an emporium of legalized gambling.

Last week one of our readers suggested that the PineStone property would be a perfect location for one of those mini casinos. It would certainly solve the resort's seemingly chronic economic problems, would generate employment, attract visitors and provide a local venue for local residents to blow their paychecks rather than having to drive all the way over to Rama. These are all pretty persuasive arguments, but not convincing enough to attract our support.

Maybe our lack of enthusiasm for

casinos is related to our early Ontario upbringing, but we are also troubled by a government which seems to be increasingly relying on income from gambling to fatten its coffers. If the returns from slot machines and gaming tables become as much an addiction for government as they are for many of the players, can the legalization of other profitable but currently illegitimate activities be far off?

Yes, a casino might save PineStone and be an attraction to the area, but how much would such a facility suck out of this community, an area with one of the lowest average incomes in the province? The money that would be lost at a local casino would be better spent within the community helping to support the local economy and jobs rather than feeding the coffers in Queen's Park.

It is an idea that has a certain amount of appeal, but we fear that establishing a casino here will in fact result in no net benefit to the community.

jb

Letters The big sponge theory

Editor:

In response to the Snowdon Waste issue:

I am on record congratulating Snowdon council on its brilliant move in being paid by Whitby Auto Wreckers to receive its shredder waste. Shredders are expensive pieces of equipment that break down foam, vinyl, plastic etc. If you put an old car seat in it with the steel frame intact, it would cause hundreds of dollars of damage as well as costly downtime on

the equipment.

Any parent can tell you that toxic baby by-products sometimes end up on a car seat. If you look hard enough, you can probably find a scientist who still knows the world is flat.

I regret that I supported the Snowdon Township's method of saving for taxpayers. I forgot that under the sacred cow of environmental rules, mother's milk is probably toxic.

This material has been underground for years in Whitby. Land values in

Whitby have made it practical for the auto wreckers to move so that houses can be built. You cannot put a foundation on this spongy material. I bet there are more environmental mental cases near Whitby than there are here.

Why would this stuff be allowed in the ground down there in the first place if it was toxic? Our dumps, by their nature, are already toxic, because of what we have put there. The absorbent material can absorb some of the real toxins that are there, making the site safer than others.

Wake up Cassandras!

Jim Battarbee,
Minden.

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What happened to promises?

Editor:

All those interested in our education system should be following closely the recent announcements regarding the funding of our schools:

- 15 per cent reduction in funding from the Ministry of Education
- confusion and long delays, created by the Ministry of Education, regarding the promised school construction projects.

Our health board is repeatedly being frustrated by the Ministry of Health. Our, very soon to be defunct, board of education is once again facing a substantial cut in funding from the Ministry of Education.

The Harris government was elected on a promise of maintaining health care and education.

Call our MPP Chris Hodgson at 1-800-424-2490 and let him know Haliburton County wants its health care and education systems maintained — as promised.

Lynn Raback,
Minden.

Condos for PineStone?

Editor:

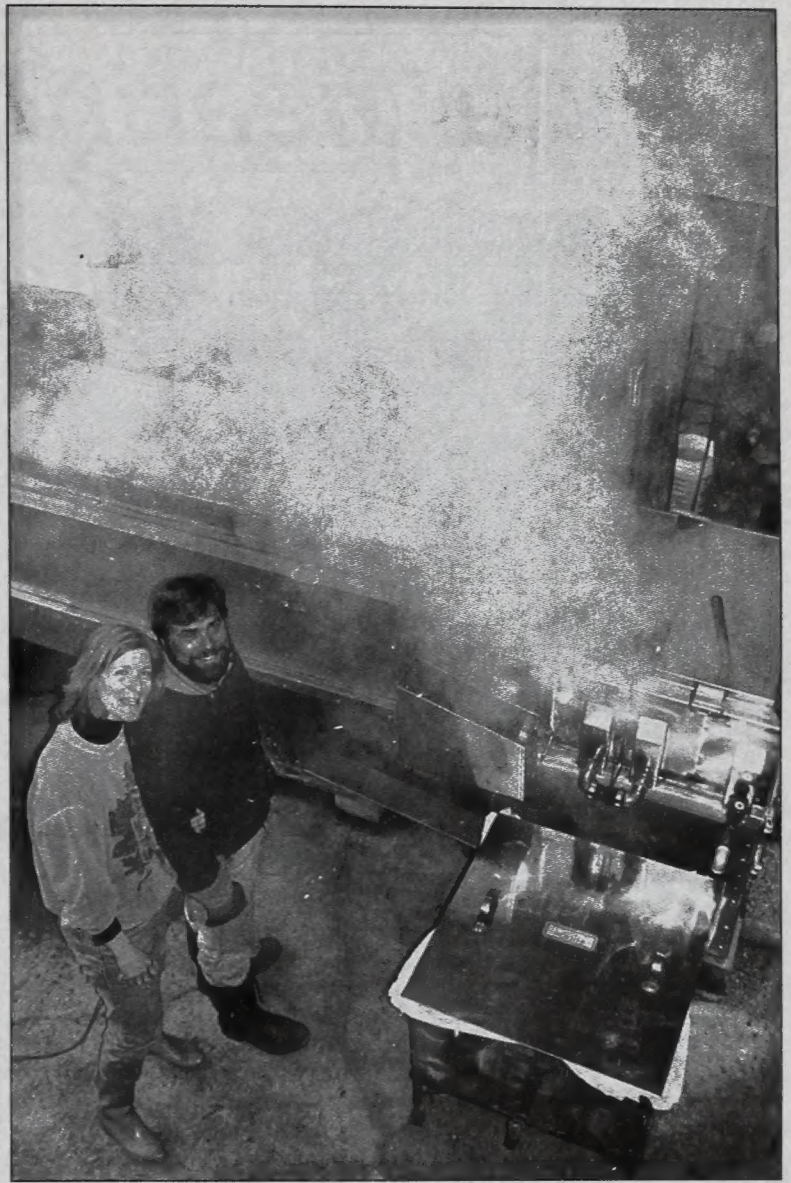
Regarding the PineStone Resort and Conference Center's (nice name) ongoing money problems. Surely, the property could be re-worked into a community of condominiums, getting the golf course into top shape, and in this way the property could perhaps repay the huge amounts of taxpayer dollars that built it, expanded it, and expanded it some more.

The fact that they recorded an excellent winter season, and still cannot cover the debt load makes it obvious that they are overextended.

Personally, I would consider purchasing a unit in that complex, and I'm quite sure there are others in Haliburton County that would also be interested in such an arrangement.

I await the next round of letters to the editor.

Jim Callaghan,
Minden



Diane and Tom in the Wintergreen Sugar Shack

photo by Jack Brezina

Do you have any idea what I mean when I write

**DOT-DOT-DOT, DASH-DASH-DASH,
DOT-DOT-DOT?**

If you do, chances are you're a little longer in the tooth than your average Generation X-er. These dots and dashes spell out "Help! Mayday! Aidez-moi! Au Secours! Hey, buddy--gimme a hand!"

Specifically they spell out the letters S, O and S--the internationally recognized distress signal. The telegrapher on the *Titanic* frantically typed out the message just before his ship went to its watery doom. Same thing happened on the *Lusitania*, the *Andria Doria* and the *SS Edmund Fitzgerald*.

SOS....SOS...My pop told me it stands for Save Our Ship, Save Our Souls. If that's not true, it ought to be.

There's no telling how many thousands of lives Morse Code has saved--at sea and on land--since it was invented by one Samuel Finley Breese Morse, 159 years ago.

Morse, a Massachusetts artist and sometime inventor, was fooling around with an electromagnet when it occurred to him that he could use the short-duration electric current to print a pretty well infinite series of marks on a moving strip of paper. By pressing a key, he could make those marks

long (a dash) or, with a light touch, short (a dot). It further occurred to him that, with a lot of work, he could come up with a code for the alphabet made up of various groupings of dots and dashes. Morse poked around for several years, refining his idea. Finally he was ready to go public with it.

His first message travelled by overhead wire from Baltimore to Washington in 1844. Decoded it read 'WHAT HATH GOD WROUGHT'.

Sam Morse didn't know it but he, (not God), had wrought a system of codified conversation that was destined to dominate long distance communications around the world for the next century and a half.

The beauty of Morse Code is its universal adaptability. You don't need a telegraph key to use it. Morse Code can be sent by whistles, buzzers flags, even by alternating clenched and open fists. At night, you can "speak Morse" with anything from a lighthouse beacon to a Bic lighter. Prisoners have used Morse Code to communicate between cells, rapping on their bars or water pipes.

In the hands of an expert, Morse Code approached an art form. Operators with sensitive fingertips could tap out messages with blistering speed. They called it, 'making the wires sing'.

'It's a little like music', says one Morse operator.

It's been an altogether wonderful and life-enhancing invention, old Sam Morse's brainwave.

Too bad its about to die.

French maritime radio authorities have already officially given up sending messages in Morse. The rest of the world is expected to follow suit. Two years from now, use of Morse by maritime authorities is scheduled to be a thing of the past, worldwide.

What did Morse in? Advancing technology, for the most part. The experts say it's too horse-and-buggy to survive in an age of ultra-slick, hyper quick radio and satellite communication.

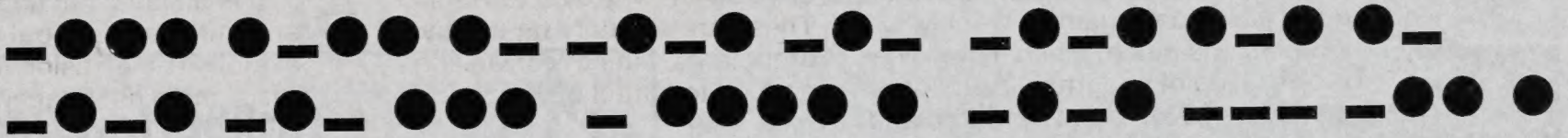
Well, perhaps. But I like to think that there will always be room for a system of non-vocal communication that doesn't have to rely on interstellar satellites and fancy display monitors in order to work.

But hey--what do I know? I'm a hopeless romantic and an unregenerate Luddite from way back.

All I can do is lament the passing-- and maybe tap out a tribute on my keyboard.

DOT-DOT-DOT-DASH-DOT-DASH.

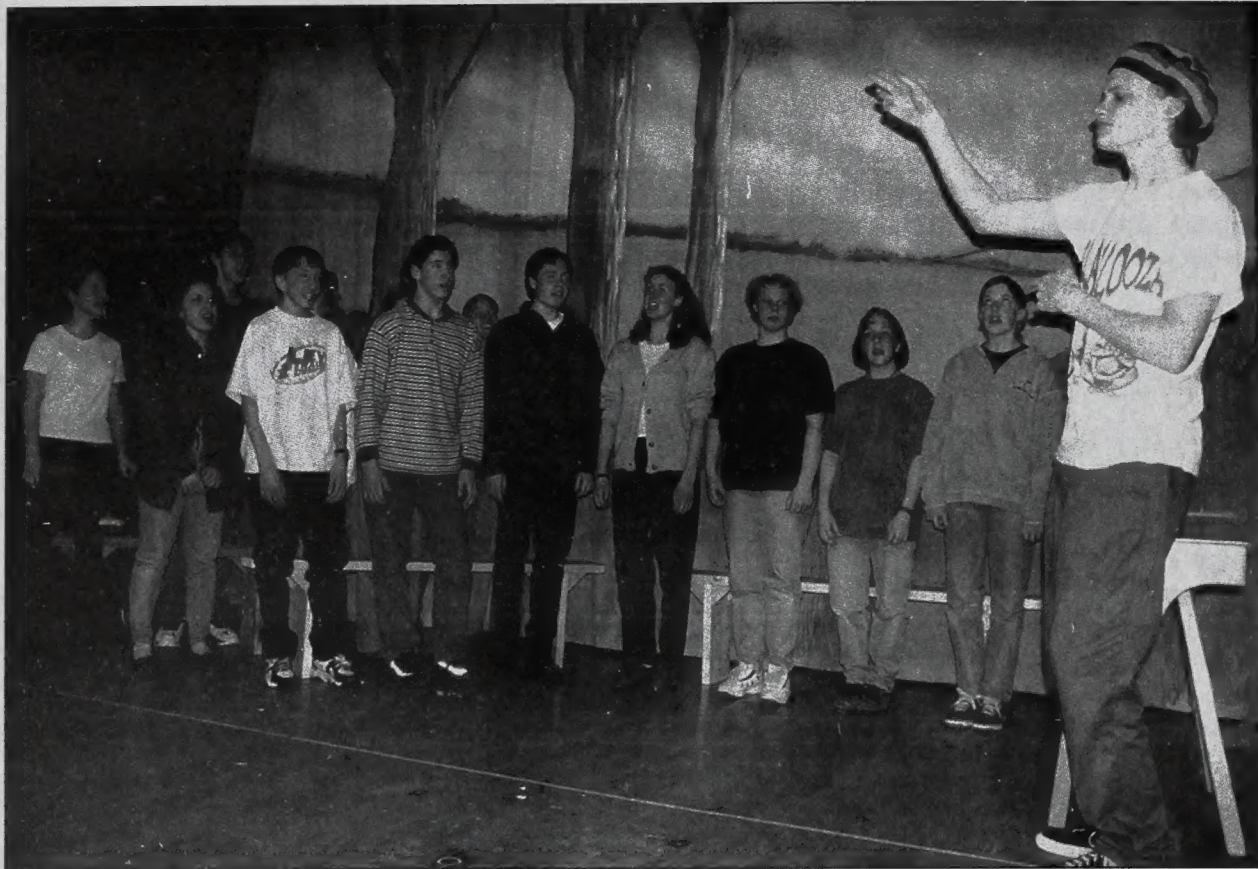
I'm pretty sure that's Morse Code for 'over and out'.



Arthur Black

Etcetera

'Anne' nearing curtain



After months of rehearsal, the cast and crew of the musical *Anne of Green Gables* is rapidly preparing for the opening night. Students from the HHSS Drama Club have been working closely with members of the Haliburton Highlands Little Theatre to create the production. Caught in rehearsal, the students above practise a school scene, while below, Anne, played by Shirleen Dehaan, right, anticipates her first taste of ice cream as her friend, Diana Barry, played by Kate Campbell describes musically how it is being made. The musical opens Friday night, with a performance on Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon. The final two performances are scheduled for April 18 and 19. All seats are reserved and tickets are available from Paulette's in Haliburton and The Storeroom in Minden. A special preview performance has been scheduled for Thursday April 10 with tickets, at \$5, available only at the door.

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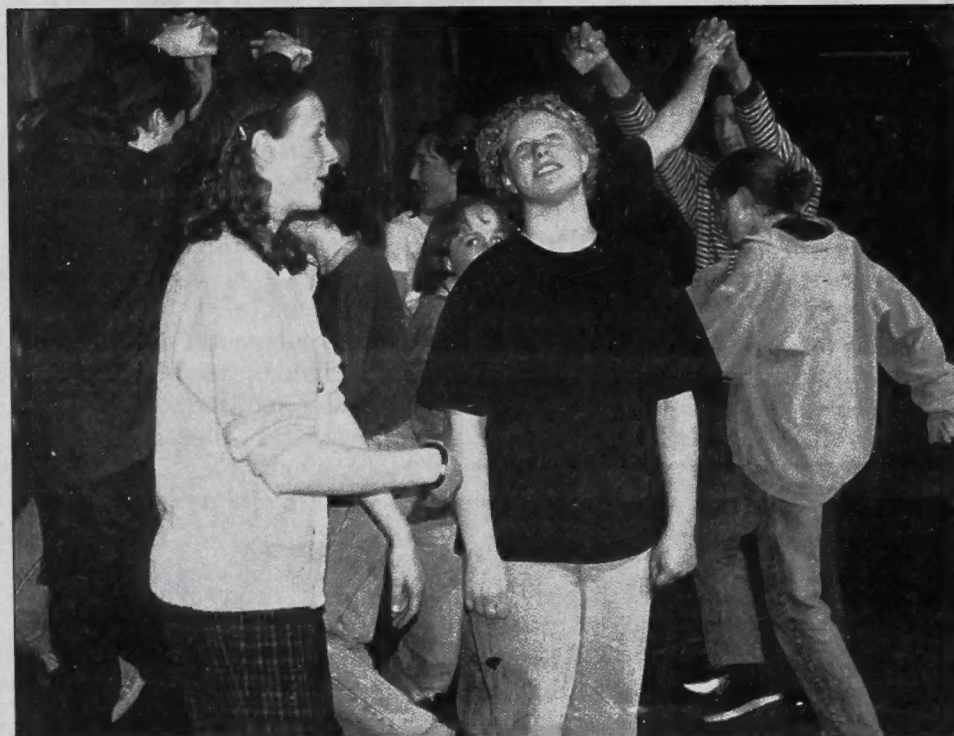
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REGISTRATION

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Minden Tykes win Tri-County Championship

The Minden Monarch tykes had an exciting end to their very successful season at the playoff tournament in Little Britain on March 15.

Early on the Saturday morning, the Monarchs squared off against Fenelon Falls. It was their first game of the round robin.

Sherri Walker opened the scoring three minutes into the game, assisted by Colin Cavanagh and Derek Carpenter.

Minden had to do some penalty killing early in the game. Defencemen Matt Clements and Kyle Fry kept the opposition from penetrating the Minden zone for the two minutes that the team was short-handed.

The Fenelon goalie played a strong second period, stopping several shots from Matt Eno and Brady Hicks.

Fenelon came back and tied the game, then scored again, to take over the lead at 2-1.

Unaccustomed to being behind, the deficit spurred the Monarch forwards into action. With two minutes left in the middle frame, Jordan Joanu scored, from Walker and Billy Kulas. Less than a minute later, Sherri Walker netted her second of the game to give the Monarchs a 3-2 advantage going into the third.

The Fenelon goalie continued to shine in the third, stopping shot after shot. In a desperate attempt to get the equalizer, the Fenelon coach pulled the goalie in favour of an extra attacker. The move backfired as Sherri Walker rounded out her hat trick with an empty net goal that gave Minden a 4-2 victory.

The Cannington Kings were next on the agenda for the Monarchs.

Minden netminder John Murray

earned a shutout in that contest as the Monarchs skated off with a 3-0 win.

Jordan Joanu got the Monarchs on the scoreboard early in the opening period. Walker and Kulas set up what would later prove to be the game winner.

Murray, between the Minden pipes, proved he was up to the challenge, stopping a Cannington breakaway late in the first period.

Midway through the second, Kulas fed the puck up to Joanu, who scored his second of the game.

Kulas notched the final marker of the game in the third period for the 3-0 Minden shutout.

The Monarchs had the best record in the round robin, which advanced them to the championship final, against the Wilberforce Rockets.

The Little Britain arena was packed for the final game.

Mike Lennox was on guard duty between the Minden pipes for that game and he came up with some big saves in the first two minutes. The Monarchs had trouble clearing the puck out of their end with the Rockets trying their hardest to get on the scoreboard first.

Buoyed by Lennox's steady performance, the Monarchs got over their nervousness and proceeded to turn the game around.

Kyle Fry passed the puck from the point to Brady Hicks, who beat the Wilberforce goalie for a 1-0 Minden lead. Then, with just 40 seconds left in the first period, Billy Kulas notched one to give Minden a 2-0 advantage.

The second and third periods provided some very exciting hockey action for the capacity crowd, but as the final

minute of the third period approached, the Wilberforce coach knew some drastic action was needed. The Rockets' net was left unguarded in order to give Wilberforce an extra sniper on the attack. With a minute remaining, the Rockets scored, closing the gap to 2-1. The Monarchs kept their composure and held the Wilberforce attack at bay for the final minute to win the championship.

The entire Minden team played good

positional hockey and worked hard to earn the league's top honour.

The team expresses its thanks to coaches Greg Carpenter and Mark Eno for their dedication and enthusiasm this season. Thanks also go out to the big brothers and big sisters of team members who ran the clock and scoreboard during the home games. Kira Fry, Danielle Clements, Jessica Carpenter, Cassie Kulas and Kevin Walker did a commendable job in the control booth.

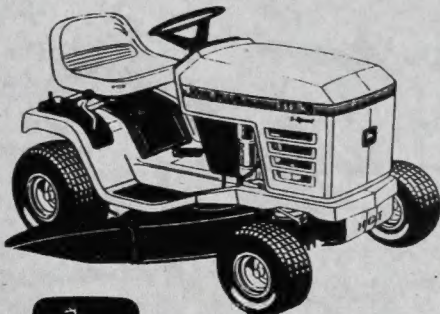


THE CHAMPIONS: Minden's tyke hockey team won the league's top honours at the championship tournament in Little Britain. Team members gathered for a photo at the Minden arena. They are, front row (l to r): Billy Kulas, Matthew Eno, Mike Lennox, Derek Carpenter, Brady Hicks. Second row: Colin Calaghan, Matthew Clement, Kyle Fry, Jordan Joanu, Sherri Walker, John Murray. Back: Manager Mark Eno (left) and coach Greg Carpenter.

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Senior Curling League season draws to an end

by Dave McAdam

As oft has been said "All good things must come to an end."

This is what has been happening to the Seniors League curling at the Minden Curling Club with spring weather around the corner and thoughts of golfing high in our minds. The Mixed League conveners Helen Rice and Joan Davies orchestrated a wonderful end of the schedule bonspiel on March 21. Sixteen teams curled two games of two draws each, one set in the morning and the second in the afternoon. Brown bagging was the lunch sustenance that kept the teams throwing, sweeping and sliding up and down the rinks for six ends in the a.m. and six in the p.m. When all this was done, the scoreboard proclaimed the Bill Milford rink to be proud winner of the Bill Donnelly Memorial Trophy. The winners of each draw were as follows:

First Draw: First place - skip Bill Milford, vice Gladys Wruth, second John Thomas, lead Jack Sykes.

Second place - skip Dave McAdam, vice Billie Shuyler, second Bob Hurrle, lead Doug McIntosh.

Third place - skip George Hewitt, vice Gail Grainger, second Lloyd Boskett, lead Walter Barnes.

Second Draw: First place - skip Ted Wilkes, vice Etta McCann, second Jack Taylor, lead Doris Ogle.

Second place - skip Russ Fair, vice Marg Waddell, second Vic Orr, lead Muriel McIntosh.

Third place - skip George Hewitt,

vice Gail Grainger, second Lloyd Boskett, lead Walter Barnes.

These teams curled well and as a result were awarded beautifully cut and trimmed T-bone steaks from the Valu-Mart butchers.

Teams that had not qualified in either draw and wondered where the beef had gone were permitted to send their leads onto the ice for a corner to corner single rock, closest to the button draw shot. The winner of chickens for her team in the first draw was lead Ruth Orr.

Her team of Tony Dymott, Merle Codlin and Hugh Hamilton were pleased with their plump chickens. Cliff Green took the same honours in the second draw for his team of Norm Gilmore, Ruby Henderson and Eric Stearns.

Even though when leaving the club our curlers were met by a major storm blanketing the area, it did not cool the enthusiasm of the Men's League curlers for some competitive curling the following Monday, March 24.

This was the wrap-up spiel for the

gents, whose rocking and rolling, curling and sweeping by the top eight teams picked from the ten league teams in the regular schedule made for much fun and sport. One draw in the morning and one in the afternoon established the following Oscar winners:

First Place - skip Bill Milford, vice Ralph Newton, second Bob Hurrle, lead Don White.

Second Place - skip George Hewitt, vice Gord Arthur, second Earl McDonald, lead Jim Schultz. Third Place - skip Dave McAdam, vice Ray Nobles, second John Thomas, lead Cliff Green.

The trophy for this spiel known as the Super Seniors Trophy will be appropriately awarded at our Awards Banquet to the rink of Bill Milford on May 9. In the meantime, the three spiel winning rinks will be feasting on scrumptious steaks awarded for their fine skills.

A cross ice rock throw for the teams finishing out of the money was won by the team of Russ Fair, Norm Gilmore, Dan Abel, whose lead Jack Taylor delivered a rock tight into the circles. Chicken dinners were the piece de resistance prizes for these happy members.

Last but far from least, our Ladies League took to the ice for their final curl of this second half curling season on March 26. Todd Grainger, their convener, had eight teams curling two

(more on page 12)



SUPER SENIORS TROPHY: The foursome of skip Bill Milford, vice Ralph Newton, second Bob Hurrle and lead Don White (l to r) won the Second Half Bonspiel of the Minden Senior Men's Curling League. They will be presented with the Super Seniors Trophy at the Senior League's annual banquet and awards presentations May 9.



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A 30-minute question and answer period will follow.

Guest speakers:

Dave Mowatt, a teacher at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, will outline the ELM Project, which the HHOA supports.

Al Wainio will talk about CFIP

(Community Fisheries Improvement Program).

A representative from the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters will make a presentation.

Committee reports:

Various committee chairs from the HHOA will update their activities. Topics will include hatchery projects, spawning bed rehabilitation projects and others.

**Plan to attend, bring a friend, non-members are welcome
Admission is free!**

Minden MINOR BASEBALL

Minden Minor Baseball would like to thank all those concerned persons who called in regards to the letter printed in The Times a couple of weeks ago.

We now have enough persons for our board.

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on these two nights, as we are already late starting this season.

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Thanks to our new board members: Maggie Stromberg, Jean Draper, Val Lennox, Cathy Arbour, John Muise and Keith Welborn. As well as the older members: Cathy Snell, Sheila Shaw, Grant Shaw (president).

Minden Minor Baseball is still up and running in the community. We are dedicated to making your summer fun and enjoyable.

Thanks from the Board of the Minden Minor Baseball Association.

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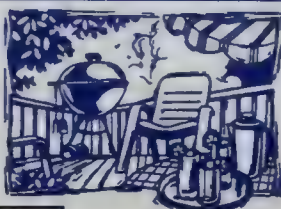
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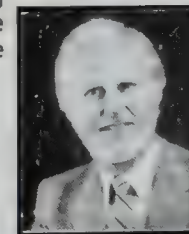
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- April 7:** Meeting of Fibromyalgia and Chronic Fatigue Support Group at the Roodenburg residence, Highway 35, just south of Minden. 7:30 p.m.
- April 7:** Workshop for parents of children entering kindergarten in September. Learn how you can help your child prepare for school. At Gooderham Elementary School 1 p.m.
- April 8:** Annual meeting of the Haliburton County Veterinary Services Program at the Minden Municipal office. Dr. Laurie Brown will speak on Leg and hoof care for farm animals. 7:30 p.m.
- April 8:** Workshop for parents of children entering kindergarten in September. Learn how you can help your child prepare for school. At Wilberforce Elementary School 1 p.m.
- April 11 & 12:** Highlands Little Theatre and students of the HHSS Drama Club present the delightful musical *Anne of Green Gables*. Tickets available in Minden at The Store-room and in Haliburton at Paulette's. Curtain 7:30 p.m.
- April 11 to April 26:** The Agnes Jamieson Gallery in co-operation with Minden Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 636 presents a display of art work created by area seniors. 176 Bobcaygeon Road north, Minden, open Tuesday to Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- April 12:** Haliburton Highlands Guild of Fine Arts President's dinner and dance, Birch Point Lodge. \$20. Tickets available from board members or at the Rails' End Gallery.
- April 13:** Highlands Little Theatre and students of the HHSS Drama Club present a matinee performance of the delightful musical *Anne of Green Gables*. Tickets available in Minden at The Store-room and in Haliburton at Paulette's. Curtain 2:00 p.m.

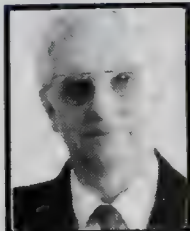
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Bill Milford rink: Super Seniors

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draws, one in the morning and one in the afternoon.

The ladies curled well and unfortunately there could only be two winning teams after the last rock was thrown. The teams who finished in the chips were:

First place - skip Edith Burch, vice Marg Waddell, second Gail Grainger, lead Nancy Moore.

Second place - skip Katie Parker, vice Sharon Sykes, second Libby Hurre, lead Muriel McIntosh.

The lead curlers from the Ruby Henderson rink, the Helen Rice rink, the Molly McCarthy rink, the Ursula Dymott rink and the Etta McCann rink went to the north east corner intent on each delivering a rock as close to the button at the south east house as possible. Unlike the men's league players, who threw three times before a winner could be established, the ladies threw

a little more accurately. Muriel Green of Ursula Dymott's team put her rock into the house on her first throw. As a result Muriel shared four nice chickens with her teammates Ursula, Clara Warren and Laura

Carnegie.

These bonspiels do carry a note of sadness with them as we know curling is coming to an end this season. Our members are looking forward to the Awards Banquet on May 9 at the

Community Centre, followed by the Club's General Meeting at the Minden Curling Club on May 22 at 2:30 p.m. The Spring Golf Tournament is scheduled for June 10. The 1997-98 season will begin in October.



BILL DONNELLY MEMORIAL TROPHY: First place in the Minden Seniors Second Half Curling Bonspiel went to the rink of vice Gladys Wruth, skip Bill Milford, second John Thomas and lead Jack Sykes (l to r). They won the Bill Donnelly Memorial Trophy.

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Plea for help nets results Minden Minor Baseball gets reprieve for '97

Minden Minor Baseball will live for another season. Enough people responded to an article in The Times two weeks ago to form a board of directors and prevent the collapse of the league.

The new board now includes president Grant Shaw and his wife Sheila, Cathy Snell, Maggie Stromberg, Jean Draper, Val Lennox, Cathy Arbour, John Muise and Keith Welborn.

Grant Shaw said that a few people also called offering to be coaches and umpires this season, but he said that several more are urgently needed, especially for the older teams.

One thing the league won't be able to do because of the late start this year is to accept late registrations. Normally, registrations have been completed by early April. Shirts will have to be ordered, teams formed and schedules drawn up. Shaw said that accepting late registrations would further delay the whole process.

Two registration dates have been set up at the Archie Stouffer Elementary School main foyer — Wednesday, April 9 and Thursday, April 17. Players can sign up from 7 to 9 p.m. on either day.

The different divisions play Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Anyone interested in helping out as a coach or umpire is asked to contact Grant Shaw at 286-4240. Training will be provided.

HHSS athletes prepare for track and field competition

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School track and field team has begun practice for this season's track and field schedule. Several members of the team



Kate Campbell

have been practicing indoors for several months, working primarily on running style and power exercises.

A few team members have participated in indoor competitions at Oshawa and York University since the first of the year. Most notable of the athletes who attended those two meets was Kate Campbell. The 15

year-old placed first in both the 50 metre hurdles and 50 metre run in Oshawa. Campbell also placed first in the 60 metre hurdles event at York University. That event was the Royal Canadian Legion provincial meet.

HHSS track and field coach Paul Morissette says he was pleased to have more than 70 students turn out for practice last week.

"Because of inclement weather conditions, the process of getting into shape is arduous and will take several weeks," Morissette said. "Hopefully, the warm weather we've had for the last few days will continue so the track work can begin this week."

Last year the HHSS track team had one of its most

successful seasons in history, with 18 athletes advancing to the OFSAA championships.

"This year's team will be in the rebuilding phase as more than a dozen top level track standouts graduated, many of whom competed in the OUAA this year," Morissette said.

Leading the way for the 1997 HHSS track team will be returning seniors Mike Bradley, Greg Simmons, Aaron Tomlinson and John Craig for the men. Jess Wallace, Kate Campbell Amanda Duncombe and Stephanie Ratz will lead the women's team.

"Several enthusiastic and promising Grade 9 students have also been working very hard," Morissette said. "They include Nicole Cooper, Katherine Hagerman, Ryan Simioni and Blaire Saunders."

The competitive season will begin at the end of April with an invitational meet in Toronto. The Kawartha, COSSA and Eastern Ontario qualifying meets will be held in May, with the OFSAA championships in Toronto in early June.

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Tristan Pawluch passes gold freeskate test

- Submitted -

History was made in the Haliburton Skating Club on Thursday, March 20. Tristan Pawluch, 15 years old, was successful in passing his Gold Freeskating Test - the highest freeskate in the test system of skating. Club officials believe this makes him the first skater of the club to achieve this high level of skating.

Tristan has been coached for the last eight years by Jane Symons, who has been a coach for 16 years, the last two years with the Haliburton Club. Symons says that Pawluch has been constantly struggling with his growth, and now at 6'3" tall has developed the strength to carry his frame in spins and jumps. His speed has improved immensely and the future looks bright for this Minden native.

"To the best of my knowledge, Tristan is the first male skater to attain gold and the second skater in Haliburton County."

Symons had a former student pass the gold freeskate test while coaching in Minden.

Symons is currently working on her National Coaching Certificate Level 3 which would qualify her to coach at the National level.

Tristan takes his skating very seriously and gives up much of his free time to train. This year he managed to find time to play for the high school basket-

ball team as well. Other hobbies include model trains, and planes, as well as swimming, canoeing and "magic."

Tristan has been an inspiration to many young skaters. His willingness to learn, his dedicated approach to training, and his desire to skate, came at a very young age, when he'd go to the rink to watch his sister, Andrea. Andrea has been instrumental in encouraging Tristan and helping him over the years.

During the summer Tristan has skated at Lindsay, Whitby, Mariposa and Ottawa and will be returning to Ottawa this summer for eight weeks. His coach says she feels the opportunity to work with other coaches is important as it offers more opportunities to train with more male skaters and more competitive skaters. One thing his coach marvels at is his ability to handle the peer pressure.

"His focus has never wavered," Symons said.

Tristan wants to express his appreciation to the people of the Haliburton Club for their support, encouragement and enthusiasm towards his skating goals. He has set his goal to one day make the National Team. Is this possible? If hard work and determination have anything to do with it, he will have a good shot at it. Time will tell.

To see Pawluch and the other Haliburton skaters perform, plan to attend the Haliburton Skating Carnival on Sunday, April 13 at 2 p.m.



GOLD COMBINATION: Tristan Pawluch and coach Jane Symons are seen here after Tristan passed his Gold Freeskate test.

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Tuesday, April 8, 1997
Pine Stone Inn - Minden Room
Hwy. 121, Haliburton

Wednesday, April 9, 1997
Admiral Inn - Scugog Room
Hwy 35, Lindsay

Thursday, April 10, 1997
Best Western - Victoria Room
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- Cobourg Town Hall (in the Concert Hall) Tel: (905) 372-2210
- Haliburton County Development Corporation Tel: (705) 457-3555 for information

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355 is high single of the week at Minden's County Bowling Centre

Ron Robinson continues impressive performance

Thursday Night Mixed League (March 20)

High average: Joan Rivard 174; Walt Stegmaier 205
High single: Marlene Bellar 223; Dan Rivard 237
High single (handicap): Marlene Bellar 289; Dan Rivard 351
High triple: Joan Rivard 548; Dan Rivard 737
High triple (handicap): Chris Little 740; Dan Rivard 809

Thursday Night Mixed League (March 27)

High average: Joan Rivard 174; Walt Stegmaier 206
High single: Joan Rivard 229; Bryan Rivard 283
High single (handicap): Joan Rivard 260; Bryan Rivard 315
High triple: Joan Rivard 583; Bryan Rivard 754
High triple (handicap): Joan Rivard 706; Bryan Rivard 850

Legion 636 Mixed League (March 31)

High average: Georgina Parkes and Leitha Kuchalema 161 (tied); Fred Knight 198
High single: Pat Lyons 223; Lloyd Brown and Jim Hindle 213 (tied)

High single (handicap): Pat Lyons 304; Maurice Winterflood 260
High triple: Sheila Burke and Leitha Kuchalema 571; Lloyd Brown 596
High triple (handicap): Sheila Burke 734; Lloyd Brown 734

Monday Evening Mixed League (March 31)

High average: Marlene Robinson 204; Scott Moore 223
High single: Brenda Doiron 246; Ron Robinson 355
High single (handicap): Brenda Doiron 297; Ron Robinson 361
High triple: Michelle Moore 666; Ron Robinson 816
High triple (handicap): Brenda Doiron 806; Ron Robinson 834

Tuesday Afternoon Seniors League (April 1)

High average: Eleanor Young 179; Walt Stegmaier 204
High single: Jo Newton 186; Bob Bullen 276
High single (handicap): Sandra Kieckhafer 244; Bob Bullen 309
High triple: Jo Newton 512; Bob Bullen 687
High triple (handicap): Jo Newton 674; Bob Bullen 786

Tuesday Night Mixed League (March 25)

High average: Cathy Snell 206; Scott Moore 219
High single: Cathy Snell 274; Al Eskelin 284
High single (handicap): Cathy Snell 290; Al Eskelin 317
High triple: Cathy Snell 689; Al Eskelin 734
High triple (handicap): Cathy Snell 737; Al Eskelin 833

Thursday Afternoon Seniors League (April 3)

High average: Edith Alzner 172; Jerry Warren 192
High single: Shirley Irwin 244; Wayne Beer 249
High single (handicap): Shirley Irwin 309; Wayne Beer 295
High triple: Eleanor Lymer 649; Wayne Beer 600
High triple (handicap): Eleanor Lymer 787; George Moulton 745

Dennis Cox rolls 261 single

Youth Bowling Council (For the week ending March 22)

Peewee
High single: Samantha Kovach 79; Brad Brown 126
High Double: Samantha Kovach 156; Brad Brown 234

Bantam

High single: Rebecca Neave 143; Matt Moore 208
High triple: Rebecca Neave 345; Matt Moore 509

Junior/Senior

High single: Jennifer Moore 244; Dru Adamson 255
High triple: Jennifer Moore 553; Dru Adamson 691

Youth Bowling Council (For the week ending March 29)

Peewee
High single: Tori Brown 87; Robert Cox 120
High double: Tori Brown 159; Bradley Brown 211

Bantam

High single: Rebecca Neave 117; Joey Cox 280
High triple: Rebecca Neave 267; Joey Cox 524

Junior/Senior

High single: Kelly Berry 184; Dennis Cox 261
High triple: Jennifer Moore 445; Jeremy Pearce 608

50 new vehicles to be added to MNR arsenal

MNR goes high-tech with enforcement fleet

by Jerry Grozelle

High profile and high technology will be the emphasis with 50 new enforcement vehicles the Ministry of Natural Resources will be putting on the road this year.

The Minden District office of the MNR has one of the newer vehicles, which has been retrofitted with the latest technology. The local staff has dubbed the unit "The Crime Lab On Wheels."

In the past, all ministry vehicles were similar, so the public couldn't tell a forestry vehicle from one used by conservation officers. Responding to complaints that people weren't seeing enough conservation officers in the field, and acting on recommendations of the Fish and Wildlife Advisory Board, the ministry is making sure these vehicles are readily identifiable as enforcement units.

"We often get complaints that people have never seen a CO (conservation officer) in their area," said Dan Smith, acting enforcement specialist with the Bancroft-Minden District of the MNR. "They may have seen lots of them but not realized it. Not a lot of vehicles have roof lights."

The new vehicles, and newer models of the current fleet which have

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Veterinarian Dr. Peter Bennett prepares to place a great horned owl in protective custody at his animal clinic north of Minden. The owl was found by Bryan and Georgina Kernohan, dazed at the side of the road, and brought it to the clinic. Dr. Bennett said the bird was in a weakened state and was suffering from malnutrition. The condition was likely brought on by the lengthy winter and deep snow cover which sheltered the owl's food sources like mice. The owl has since been transferred to a sanctuary north of Huntsville, operated by Janice Enright, where it is regaining its strength. The bird will be moved to the Owl Foundation in Vineland before being released into the wild.

Committee formed to develop ASES school council constitution

by Skip Ray

We have formed a sub-committee to put together a constitution for our school council. In order to include any interested parents of kindergarten children, we plan to hold the elections for positions on the Archie Stouffer School Council in September. This decision follows in the footsteps of the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Council who wanted to include interested parents of grade nine students.

- Peter Forgrave reported that the E.Q.A.O. Government testing of the grade 3 students is on schedule and will wrap up in a couple of weeks.

- We viewed the proposed 97/98 school year calendar which is legislated to have certain numbers of instructional days, professional development/activity days and exam days that must be coordinated across the board. Many scheduling headaches for our principals, superintendent and director!

- The Breakfast Club at Archie Stouffer is running smoothly and being utilized by many happy children. As common in this day and age however, dedication by volunteers must be backed by money. Please consider if you are in a position to monetarily contribute to this worthwhile cause.

Next month's meeting of the Archie Stouffer School Council will be held Monday, May 5 at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Until next month!

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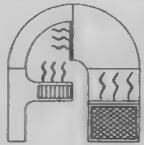
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March weather

50 cm more snow on ground at end of March 1997 than '96

by Ron MacKenzie for Phil Graham

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Average high	1.2	34.2
Average low	-11.5	11.3
Average for the month	-5.2	22.6
Average for last March	-4.1	24.6
Highest temperature - March 28	15	59.0
Lowest temperature - March 23	-27	-16.6
Rainfall	13.0 mm	0.5 in
Snowfall	60.5 cm	23.8 in
Total precipitation	73.5 mm	28.9 in
Total precipitation last March	71.0 mm	27.9 in
Snow on ground at March 31	62 cm	24.4 in
Snow on ground last March 31	12 cm	4.7 in
Total snowfall Nov 1 to March 31	261.5 cm	102.9 in
Total days with rain or snow	15	
Total days with mostly sunny	12	
Days with thunderstorms	0	
Days with freezing rain	3	

This year the groundhog saw his shadow (by all reports) which means a short winter (four more weeks). Well, it would appear that old man groundhog missed the mark as we are still locked in the depths of winter eight weeks later. On the other hand, true to form, March came in like a lamb with above zero temperatures and light rain, and went out like a lion with minus 5.5 C and 7.5 cm of snow. We did have 12 out of 31 days of delightful sunshine, almost the same as last March. The full moon occurred on March 24 and on the 23rd the night sky was clear and willing to show off the beautiful lunar eclipse, one of the best I have seen. Another wonder of nature this month has been the newly discovered Hale-Bopp comet. Very visible in the northwestern sky in the evening and for the early birds look to the east before daylight. A pair of binoculars will show Hale-Bopp's splendour very nicely.

Trivia: spring is finally on its way so here is a ditty to pass the time away. Counting the number of cricket chirps in eight seconds and adding four will give the temperature within one degree Celsius.

Spring has sprung at Hyland Crest

We hope that everyone enjoyed their Easter weekend. There were many visitors to our home and quite a few of us were able to visit with our families in their homes. During Chapel on Easter Sunday, we were joined by Margaret Rivers, her husband and baby Celeste. This was a special occasion for Alice Rivers as Celeste is her great-great-granddaughter.

On the afternoon of Easter Sunday we gathered for a discussion. The topic was Spring and this led us to remembering spring tonics that we used to have back in the good old days, such as Scotts Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil, Eucalyptus, Burdock Blood Bitter, Lydia Pinkham Pink Pills (for women) and many more, too numerous to mention. Would you believe we bought these items at a grocery store? No fancy drug stores back then. Most of us relied on home remedies such as mustard plaster, bread & milk poultices etc. How times have changed!

After our discussion, we enjoyed doughnuts (thanks to Linda Brandon) and coffee.

We have heard that Maggie Cook and Henry Howe are proud great-grandparents recently. Also, a get-well message to Bill Payne, one of the Grandfathers. We

miss you and hope you can join us again very soon.

Peggy Pettinger's husband Ed is in hospital with a broken hip. We hope you are feeling better soon and able to visit Peggy once more.

Winnie Barnum was fortunate to enjoy the wonderful spring day on Wednesday. She went to Bracebridge with her son Terry and his wife, then enjoyed supper out in Orillia. Winnie could not have picked a better day for her outing.

Today, April 3, we are looking forward to our weekly tea party. This week supplied by Lakeside Baptist Church. Thank you ladies.

That's all the news for now. Enjoy this wonderful spring weather. Let's hope it stays.

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It is with regret that, due to budgetary constraints, the District Health Council is not able to continue to fund the planning position that Kate Reed has occupied for the last several years.

Council acknowledges the tremendous amount of work that Kate has done in the Haliburton Highlands towards the betterment of health and health related services. On behalf of Council, I wish to thank Kate and wish her every success in her future professional activities.

As well, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the local community for their support and the many volunteers who have participated in a variety of planning and implementation processes over the years.

Even though Kate will no longer be with the District Health Council, please be assured that the District Health Council will endeavour to continue to support planning initiatives as we do in the other three counties we serve: Northumberland, Peterborough and Victoria counties.

Anyone wishing to contact the District Health Council can call (705) 748-2992.

Sincerely,

Bill James, Chair
Haliburton, Kawartha & Pine Ridge
District Health Council

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Position B: Travel Counsellor
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Location: Minden Information Centre
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(from page 15)

been retrofitted, will sport some high-tech equipment as well as a decal package identifying them as enforcement units.

Communications equipment will include M-Sat units, which are satellite cellular telephones.

"We often work in areas where poor radio coverage or conventional cell phones don't work," Smith said.

With this equipment, conservation officers have virtually instant access to information about outdoors cards, which will save a lot of running around to verify whether or not an angler or hunter has a valid license. Those who tell an officer they have forgotten their cards at home, or back at camp, and those who give false information, can be checked out and charged on the spot if the situation warrants. The new communications equipment adds a measure of safety for the officers as well.

Steve Bowcott, provincial compliance, policy and planning specialist with the MNR in Peterborough, is co-ordinating the acquisition of the vehicles and the installation of equipment.

Bowcott said the MNR's fleet management plan is being implemented in three phases. The first phase was to upgrade some of the newer trucks in the current fleet by retrofitting them with communications equipment, light bars, boat racks, trailer hitches and ramps for snowmobiles or ATVs, and adding the decal package that identifies them as enforcement vehicles. To qualify for the full retrofit, the trucks must meet the basic standard. They must also be white and 1991 model years or newer. The Dodge that the Minden MNR had retrofitted is a 1996 model.

Phase two is acquiring the 50 1997 vehicles, completely equipped.

The third phase is to improve the radio communications in some of the older green vehicles that are still in use.

"We've never had standardized enforcement vehicles before," Bowcott said. "They are much superior vehicles and they will be easily identifiable with the new decal package."

All of the new trucks will be General Motors, since GM won the tender for the 50 vehicles. They are all four-wheel-drives with extended cabs and short boxes. Cost of the vehicles alone, before the specialized equipment is installed, is \$30,000 each. By the time they are fully equipped, the price tag for the 50 units will top the \$2-million mark.

Fourteen of the new vehicles are being paid for with funds which are managed by the Fish and Wildlife Advisory Board. In addition, the Board is funding the retrofits and all the decal packages.

Thirty-six of the new trucks have already been



CRIME LAB ON WHEELS: This 1996 Dodge boasts the latest technology to assist conservation officers with their duty of enforcing Ontario's fish and game laws. This unit, which is in use at the Minden office, is one that was retrofitted to bring it up to the new standard for enforcement vehicles.

built and the other 14 are expected within the next few weeks. Bowcott said he expects all of the units to be on the road by June or July.

When the new trucks are built, they are sent to the Transport Section of the Ontario Provincial Police General Headquarters in Orillia. There, they are fitted with the enforcement equipment and the decal packages.

The communications consoles, radios and telephones are shipped in boxes with the units to the MNR's various Regional Communications Labs, where technicians install them. When that is com-

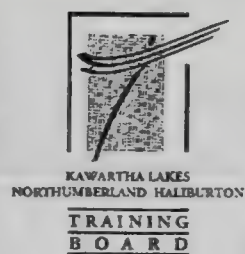
pleted, the units are ready for the field.

"I can't say enough about the work the OPP GHQ has done for us or for the support of the Fish and Wildlife Board," Bowcott said.

The ministry's plan is to add several more units each year until it has between 150 and 180 enforcement vehicles for the province's 230 field conservation officers.

The new units will be financed over four years, at which time they should be ready for replacement.

Dan Smith says he has placed an order for one of the new GM units for the Minden office.



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You are invited to the 1997 spring "Friendship Tea" at Zion United Church in Carnarvon on Wednesday, April 16 at 2:00 p.m. Donations to the Minden Hospital Building Fund. See you there!

Congratulations to Eileen Sienko from Kinmount who won the Kinmount Legion's March draw of \$41.

Don't forget the fabulous spaghetti dinner being held at Club 35 (9 kms north Carnarvon) on Saturday, April 12 from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. For more information, call Ken at 489-3071.

There is a woodcarving display in the Lochlin Community Centre on Sunday, May 4 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Refreshments served. Everyone is invited to enjoy the carvings of our local talent.

Visiting Florence Robinson on Easter Sunday were son Bradley and his family from Toronto. They all enjoyed dinner at Janice and Jack Shaw's home plus they celebrated Florence's 85th birthday (which was on Tuesday, April 1). Happy belated Florence!

"With These Hands", spring art fair,

is a bi-annual artist display of intimate fine craft and art works held in Toronto at the Ontario Heritage Centre's historical Birkbeck building, 8 Adelaide St. E., showing one-of-a-kind works of 23 renowned Ontario artists. The show runs from Friday, April 18 to Sunday, April 20 and we are delighted to announce that two Minden artists, John and Lindsay Beaudry, are part of that show for the first time. Their unique birdhouses and birdhouse inspired clocks, shelves, tables, and even binocular holders for birders will be on display. The Beaudrys, who work out of their home near Ingoldsby, create birdhouses in every architectural design imaginable and welcome custom orders. For additional information about the show please call 416-532-4629.

We note that Anne of Green Gables, a Canadian musical is set to begin its five performance run this Friday at the high school. There are performances Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoon this weekend and again on the following weekend on Friday and Saturday nights. We understand that tickets are going fast so if you are at all interested, get your tickets quickly. Tickets are available at Paulettes in Haliburton and The Storeroom in Minden.

Club 35 is a euchre haven on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. and on March 31 Jack Gregory had the most lone hands, Verna Sawyer and Garth Windsor had the high scores (plus Garth won the 50/50 draw)

while Grace Cowen and Helen Windsor won the low scores. On March 24 Helen Windsor had the most lone hands, while Verna Sawyer and newcomer Alf Whyman had the high scores, Olive Daniels, Jack Gregory and Jane Swick had the low scores. The 50/50 draw was won by Cliff Woolner. Everyone is welcome to join. Partners are not needed.

Contract bridge top 3 winners from last week were Ross Fletcher, Betty Roszell and Betty Culley. Betty Roszell and Ross bid and made one small slam. Join them at the Stanhope Library every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.

Seniors bid euchre is played in the Minden Legion every Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. and last week Howard Smith came first followed by Ann Baker second and Ida Young third. Marg McAfee had the hidden score and Walt Ackerblade plus Ida Young had the only moonshots.

Euchre played in the Gelert Community Centre last week gave Harold Harvie the most lone hands, Betty Currie and Chris Hill the high scores and Dorothy McElwain and Bob Vick the low scores. Meet April 8 in the Lochlin Community Centre and on April 15 it's back to Gelert, both at 7:30 p.m.

At the Stanhope Firefighters Hall last Wednesday, Jean Scadden led the bid euchre players with a score of 245 followed by Ida Young 222, Verna Sawyer 221, June Branning 208, Brian Henderson 204 and Bill Milford 201. Ken

Young had the hidden score and Pat Roussel and Ida had the only 2 moonshots. Join with the gang every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. for bid euchre.

On Thursday, March 27 Marg McAfee and Murray MacKinnon had the most lone hands in euchre played in the Minden Legion. Ida Young and Ralph Schroeder had the high scores while Vivian Anderson and Orval Francis captured the low scores. Jack Chilton, Bill Mitchell and Pat Roussel managed some prizes as well. Games start each Thursday at 7:15 p.m.

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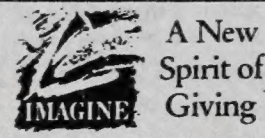
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WANTED: Will pay cash for antique furniture 1930 or older and other oddball items. Call Paul 286-6383. 2Dtfn

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HELP WANTED: Two Casual Dietary Aides/Cooks to work shifts and weekends as required. All terms of employment in accordance with current C.U.P.E. casual agreement. Employment to commence immediately. Must be reliable, self-motivated, neat and clean, physically fit and able to work in a kitchen environment. Qualifications: minimum Grade 10, working knowledge of sanitation/hygiene with emphasis on food borne illness, working knowledge of health and safety regulations, previous experience in quantity food production, knowledge of institutional cooking equipment, knowledge of therapeutic diets, accredited Grade 1 level cooking course. Please submit application and resume to L. Shirley, Director of Food Services, **Hyland Crest Senior Citizens' Home**, Box 30, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0. 4B

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED: New company in Bracebridge requires independent Account Rep to set up Service Accounts in Greater Haliburton/Minden area. Previous sales experience an asset but not essential. Must have a reliable vehicle. Please fax resume by April 12 to (705) 646-2085. 4B

HELP WANTED

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Ages Three and a half to Fourteen and Adult Beginners. Next session April 18 to June 27. Diana Williams 488-3381.
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Haliburton Christian Outreach presents
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Acquired Brain Injury
Support Meeting
for peers and caregivers
Third Wednesday of each month at Haliburton Health Unit
from 7-9 p.m.
4B

SUMMER AQUASIZE PROGRAM
Haliburton County
Home Support Services
May 12 to July 24, 1997
Cost is \$40 with HCHSS Activity card or \$60 without card.
Times available:
Tues: 8-9 a.m. 10-11 a.m.
Wed: 10-11 a.m.
Thurs: 10-11 a.m.
Registration opens April 7 and classes on May 8
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Join Haliburton County Home Support Services' First Annual "FLING INTO SPRING", at the Minden Arena on April 30. Doors open 11 a.m. Buy or bring lunch. Free coffee and dessert. Entertainment provided by John Menzies. Challenge the best at: Bridge, Cribbage, Euchre or Scrabble. Door prizes, Top and Bottom Prizes awarded. Tickets: \$6. Tickets available at Minden I.D.A., Henwood's Variety Haliburton, Home Support, Haliburton. For further details call 457-2941 or 1-800-567-2941. 4BD

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Lindsay on Sunday, March 30,
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Wilson. Long time resident of
Davis Lake, Kinmount and lov-
ing friend, mother, and grand-
mother to all who knew her. A
celebration of Kay's life will
take place at the Town Hall,
Kinmount on Saturday, May 17,
1997. In keeping with Mrs.
Wilson's wishes, cremation has
taken place. Memorial donations
to the Hospital for Sick Chil-
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Beloved husband of the late June
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And nothing is the same,
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you,
Sad are the tears that fall,
Living our lives without you
Is the hardest part of all.
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And when we needed someone
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you.
The special years will not
return
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You will walk with us forever.*
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